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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed November 12, 2002, requiring an election to the restriction requirement, Applicants elect claims 1-10 drawn to a process for the preparation of a carboxylate terminated polymer, classified in class 526, subclass 173 without traverse.

Respectfully submitted,

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